- (j) The term "Federal agency" shall mean and include the United States of America, any department or bureau thereof, and any agency or instrumentality of the United States of America heretofore established or which may be established or created hereafter.
- (k) The term "project" shall mean any water system, sewer system and any combination or part or parts thereof owned, constructed or operated by a District under the provisions of this sub-title.
- 578. The governing body of a county may, by ordinance or resolution, or the governing bodies of two or more counties may by ordinances or resolutions, signify their intention to create a District to acquire, construct, reconstruct, extend, repair, improve, maintain and operate a project under an appropriate name and title, containing the word "District", which shall be a public body politic and corporate.

Each such ordinance or resolution shall include articles of incorporation which shall set forth:

- (a) The name of the "District".
- (b) A statement that such District is formed under this sub-title.
- (c) The name of the incorporating county or counties.
- (d) The names, addresses and terms of office of the first members of the Commission of said District.
- (e) The purpose or purposes for which the Authority is to be created or is created.

Said articles of incorporation shall be executed by each incorporating county by its proper officers and shall be filed with the State Tax Commission which shall receive the same and endorse thereon the date and time of such receipt. If the Chairman or Secretary of said Commission finds that the articles of incorporation conform to law he shall forthwith endorse his approval thereon and issue a certificate of approval to which shall be attached a copy of the approved articles. Upon the issuance of such certificate of approval by the Chairman or the Secretary of said Commission the corporate existence of said District shall begin and thereupon such District shall be conclusively deemed to have been lawfully and properly created and established and authorized to exercise its powers under this sub-title. Promptly thereafter the said Commission shall record said articles of incorporation, together with the endorsements thereon, in a book to be kept for that purpose.

When the District has been organized and its officers elected, the secretary shall certify to the State Tax Commission the names and addresses of its officers, as well as the principal office of the District. Any change in the location of the principal office shall likewise be certified to the State Tax Commission within ten days after such change.

579. Every District so incorporated may, from time to time, and in the manner hereinafter provided, amend its articles of incorporation and thereby accomplish any one or more of the following: the adoption of a new name; and changes in, additions to, and diminutions of its powers and purposes, provided that such amendment shall contain only such provisions as it would be lawful or proper to insert in articles of incorporation made at the time of such amendment.